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Customer No. 22,852  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Susan I. SHELSON ) Group Art Unit: 3738  
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Application No.: 09/753,448 ) Examiner: K. LANDREM  
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Filed: January 4, 2001 ) Confirmaiton No.: 3427  
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For: EXPANSION-ASSISTING )  
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DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR SELF- )  
EXPANDING STENT )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2004, Applicant submits the  
Remarks beginning on page 2 of this Reply.